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## SPLENDID NERVE

### Displayed By Sampson In His Report.

### SAYS HE SIGNALLED TO ENGAGE THE ENEMY

But It Is a Notorious Fact That He Was Too Far Away to Know That the Fight Was on Till He Heard Firing—Had Schley Waited for a Signal Cervera Would Have Escaped—Sampson Has a Pull and a Movement is On to Promote Him Ahead of Schley.

Washington, July 27.—(Special.)—The friends of Commodore Schley and of fair play in general are not pleased with the report of Sampson on the battle that resulted in the destruction of Cervera's fleet. Sampson gives Schley but scant recognition and makes the statement that he signalled the fleet to close in and engage the enemy. As he was seven miles from the harbor and about fourteen miles from the ships that engaged the fleet, no one can see how that happened. The flagship was so far away that the acting admiral did not know the fleet was escaping until firing was heard. If Schley had waited for Sampson to give the command to close in and engage the enemy, Cervera would have been miles away before the New York even found out there was prospect of a fight. Sampson, as everyone knows, was located in Washington long enough to get a political pull, and has proven that he is simply a creature of politics and unfitted to command. His discourteous treatment of Schley will not be forgotten here. The contrast between the report of Sampson and that of Schley shows the caliber of the men, and the comparison is not favorable to Sampson.

When the matter of the promotion of the fleet captains and commanders who took part in the destruction of Cervera's squadron comes up the question of the relative merit of the services of Acting Admiral Sampson and Commodore Schley will come up, and draws which have already shown themselves on the surface indicate that the former officer's political pull is going to stand him in good stead again. That he possesses some secret influence of no mean order is too manifest to escape anybody. When he was placed in command of the North Atlantic squadron over Commodore Schley he was only a captain, and his record certainly afforded no clue to so signal a preferment. A couple of months ago he was advanced to the grade of a commodore, apparently just to encourage him to do something. Then at length came the battle of Santiago, in which he took no part whatever, being off on some trivial "reconnoitering" expedition which any other fleet commander would have assigned to some subordinate. His latest exploit was to delay the convoys for Gen. Miles until the latter had to appeal to Washington.

## FREEDOM FOR CUBA

### Is All Spain Indicates in Her Note Presented to the President by the French Ambassador.

Washington, July 27.—(Special.)—Cannon's note, which was presented to the President, at the request of the Queen Regent, reads:

"The government of the United States and the government of Spain are unhappy at war, as the result of a demand from the United States that Spain withdraw from Cuba, which demand she refuses to comply with. In the contest of arms which followed, Spain admits she has been worsted, and that her sufferings as a result are very great. She believes the time has now come when she can properly ask the co-operation of the United States in terminating the war, and therefore she asks to be furnished

## GERMANY YEERING

The Kaiser Tells Merchants at Manila That His Country Will Protect Them When Needed.

Berlin, July 27.—(Special Cable.)—German firms at Manila have combined in vigorous protest to the German government, saying the British government has completed the successful negotiations at Washington in the interest of British firms in the Philippines. A reply was sent to Manila today by the minister of foreign affairs. Manila firms

are reminded that in the first place, the Philippines are not yet American possessions. The German government assures German merchants that their interests will be amply protected, though nothing will be done without a thorough understanding with the United States.

## DECISION RESERVED.

The case of Harget against Antine for alleged assault with intent to kill was heard before Judge Reigner Monday. The court reserved its decision until Thursday at 4 o'clock.

## CANTON BOYS AT TAMPA.

Charles Bour Returns and Tells How They Are Getting Along—Adolph Weiler's Broken Arm.

Charles Bour, who enlisted in the Third U. S. Cavalry during the time a recruiting station was conducted at the Hurford house, returned to Canton Tuesday evening on a furlough. He has been in the hospital at Fort McPherson, Georgia, for the past five weeks suffering with fever and the hot climate. He left Fort McPherson Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock, after bidding all the Canton boys who enlisted in the cavalry, goodbye. A News-Democrat man met Mr. Bour this morning and had an interesting conversation with him. Mr. Bour says there are 469 typhoid fever victims in the hospital with 250 wounded from the first day's fight at Santiago.

"The Canton boys are all enjoying themselves as well as could be expected," said Mr. Bour. "The Patton boys like it down there first rate, but Harry Patton has been suffering from the effects of the climate and really ought to have a rest; but he's too gritty to give up. For awhile the boys were in different troops and got lonesome but they induced the colonel to put them back together and that pleased them."

"Howard Alexander," continued Mr. Bour, "is enjoying life down there as is Rob. Shepherd. Henry Arment is homesick. He's got a girl up here and he's dying to see her."

"How is Adolph Weiler getting along since his experience with his company at Santiago?" was asked by the News-Democrat man.

"Oh, say," said Bour, laughing heartily, "that's too rich. The boys didn't do a thing to Adolph when the Democrat containing the letter telling about his fight at Santiago reached us the other day. Why we haven't been to the front at all. We were down at Tampa in camp and Adolph fell off his horse while drilling. His arm was broken and his sabre flew up and out his face. He did not want to give it away when I left, but it's too good to keep. He is in the hospital all right with a broken arm, but he did not get it fighting Spaniards. I guess Adolph was playing a joke on the folks at home."

Mr. Bour says he may stay at home. He says he is not obliged to go back unless he wants to.

## MOVEMENTS OF WARSHIPS.

Russian and Japanese Ships Sailed—Japs Ordered to Help Americans and British.

LONDON, July 26.—A special dispatch from Shanghai says four Russian men-of-war have left Port Arthur, and it is supposed their destination is the Philippine islands.

Another special dispatch from Shanghai says the Japanese warships Woshino, Chin-Yen, Itakushima and Sai-Yen have been hastily dispatched to Salsou to reinforce the Japanese squadron there, making it the strongest in those waters. It has been ordered to co-operate with the British and American admirals in the event of international complications.

While the dispatch does not explain the matter, it is inferred the squadron is destined to be in readiness for Philippine operations.

## UPTURNED LAUNCH FOUND.

A Milwaukee Party Drowned—Some Hats and a Card Picked Up.

MILWAUKEE, July 26.—It was reported last night that a naphtha launch, owned by Emil Schandelin of this city, was found on the beach at South Milwaukee, 12 miles from this city. On board was found a card bearing the words: "Drowned on July 23, 1898."

Several valuable ladies hats were found strewn along the beach, also three or four men's hats.

Emil Schandelin and a party left Milwaukee on a pleasure jaunt about ten days ago. It is feared they met with accident and were drowned.

## Two Men Drowned.

PORT CLINTON, O., July 26.—The yacht Clipper, owned by William Arbuckle, a prominent Toledo attorney, and which has been attending the interlake yacht regatta, at Put-in-Bay, was struck by a squall yesterday morning, off Green island, and capsized. William Arbuckle, Jr., son of the owner of the yacht, and Marcus Bettele, two of the crew, were drowned.

## AN APPOINTMENT.

Mr. Homer Stone, ex-deputy sheriff, has been selected as assistant supervisor of the state hospital at Massillon. He will assume the position about August 15, when the institution will be opened.

## A SAD DEATH.

Mrs. H. B. Ames, 229 South Walnut street, died Wednesday forenoon, the result of recent confinement. She was but 27 years old and leaves a healthy two days old baby. Mrs. Ames was the wife of Harry B. Ames, the popular representative of W. A. McCrea & Co., and had many friends in this city. Mrs. Ames's father, Dr. Isaac Ames of Carrollton, died but a few weeks ago. The funeral arrangements have not as yet been made.

## OBSEQUIES

Over the Remains of the Late Treasurer Geib.

## THE OFFICIALS TAKE ACTION

And Attend the Funeral in a Body—One of the Largest Funerals Ever Held in This Section of the State—Tributes to His Memory.

The court house and city hall were closed Wednesday afternoon in order that all officials might attend the funeral of County and City Treasurer Jacob Geib, which took place at Louisville. Many Canton citizens went to Louisville on the 1:38 train, to be in attendance at the obsequies. The funeral was one of the largest ever held in the county.

## OFFICIALS TAKE ACTION.

A meeting of court house officials was held Tuesday afternoon to take action on the death of County Treasurer Jacob Geib. Atlee Pomerene nominated Judge McCarty for chairman and T. W. Casselman was selected as secretary. On motion of Auditor Reed a committee of three was appointed to draft resolutions of respect, and the chair appointed Auditor Reed, Maurice August and Atlee Pomerene. A committee of two, Messrs. J. A. Reed and Baughman, was appointed to secure a floral offering. The committee on resolutions after deliberation presented the following:

Jacob Geib was born in the state of New York, and was at the time of his death, July 26, 1898, 40 years, 5 months and 19 days old. He came to Stark county when quite a young man and has ever since been an honored and respected citizen of our community. At the outbreak of the rebellion he enlisted in his country's cause and served it valiantly and fearlessly for three years. After his discharge he returned to Stark county, where he has lived ever since, engaged in farming and milling. He always enjoyed the esteem and confidence of his neighbors and fellow citizens, and however any of them might have differed from him in the ordinary affairs of life, no one ever questioned his integrity or his good intentions.

In the year 1893 he was elected treasurer of Stark county and re-elected in 1895, and was at the time of his death serving out his second term. The administration of his office was always characterized by sound business methods and uniform courtesy toward all who came in contact with him, whether of low or high station in life. His genial temperament endeared him to all.

It is with deep regret that we, his associates in office, and friends, have learned of his untimely taking off, and we extend to his bereaved family our sincerest sympathy in this hour of their action. They have lost the most kindly of husbands and fathers.

As a slight token of our appreciation of the character and worth of our deceased friend and associate we hereby declare it to be the sense of this meeting that this memorial be spread upon the common "Memorials" journal, and that a copy thereof be furnished by the secretary to the family of the deceased, and to the daily press.

WILLIAM M. REED,  
MAURICE E. AUGST,  
ATLEE POMERENE,  
Committee.

## LINGERING ILLNESS

Consummated in the Death of an Aged and Respected Woman Who Had Many Friends.

Mrs. Delilah Stover, an aged and highly respected woman, died at her home, 2116 Navarre street, Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock, after an illness of six years' duration. Mrs. Stover was 71 years of age and had lived in Canton 49 years. Her husband preceded her to the grave ten years ago. Mrs. Stover was a staunch christian woman, being a consistent member of the Simpson M. E. church. Three children survive. F. V. Stover of this city, Charles S. Stover of Cleveland and Mrs. Wm. Melchior of this city. A sister, Mrs. Sarah Rogers, also resides here. Funeral services at the late residence Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock and at the Simpson M. E. church at 3:30. Interment in Westlawn.

## DECLARED INSANE.

Frank Walter of this city was yesterday adjudged insane by Judge Wise. Mr. Walter voluntarily appeared before the probate judge and affidavits bearing upon his insanity are sworn to by two physicians. Application has been made for his acceptance at the Toledo hospital for insane. Mr. Walter was formerly engaged in the furniture installment business at the corner of Market and Second streets.

## TOWN TOPICS.

Jacob Bridgman, an inmate of the infirmary from Massillon, died this morning of old age at 80 years.

Misses Mary and Blanch Sell, 1008 East Third street, are visiting their grandparents in Columbiana county.

## SHE'S AIMING FOR HELP.

Spain Was Throwing Out a Feeler, So That She Could Tell the Powers What This Country Will Do.

Madrid, July 27.—(Special Cable.)—It is said here this morning that the principal object of peace negotiations was to discover, if possible, the demands of the United States. Duke Almodovar was authority for the foregoing statement. Spain is anxious to find out what the United States intends to do with the Philippines and what provision would be made by European powers if America should hold them.

Whatever information had been secured would have been placed in the possession of the powers that have shown a friendly interest in Spain's cause. These powers would then have a better understanding as to how to act in the premises and might decide to assist Spain while this war is still on. Spain is playing every card to secure assistance. She will humble herself in any way before the United States if she can only gain a point in the direction of assistance by so doing.

## IN THE COURTS.

Leonard Hess, as guardian of Herman Schriver, has commenced an action in common pleas court against John J. Schaele, Fred Leonard and George Snyder, trustees of St. Paul's Lutheran church of Massillon, to have the proper construction placed on a will of Herman Schriver, Sr., deceased. By its terms the interests of the children to go to the church after his death, and it is estimated that this amounts to between \$3,000 and \$4,000. The guardian claims that the income is insufficient to support the boy, and the court is asked to decide whether in case guardian had to use part of the principal in the child's support, he could be compelled to reimburse to the estate. The child is an imbecile. J. P. Fawcett represents plaintiff.

William S. Spidle, administrator of the estate of David Kerstetter, has sued Franklin and Levia Bear for \$307.70. A mortgage foreclosure is desired.

Word was received in Canton Monday that Judge P. M. Smith had overruled a motion made for a new trial in the case of Friedman against McCrea. The jury awarded the plaintiff a verdict for \$1,800, and the effort to set aside was unsuccessful.

Carrie Settle has commenced an action for damages against Hiram Shaub. Plaintiff rents a room for a cigar stand at 917 South Market street, having contracted with one Beckius. Defendant has since purchased the property and plaintiff was given an extension of the lease for an indefinite time. She has recently been served with notice to vacate, she claims, but refused to do so. Defendant has moved the building and it sits on trucks four feet above ground on Cedar street, with no way of ingress or egress to plaintiff's store. This she alleges has damaged her business and her tobacco stock, all to the extent of \$700. W. H. Smith represents plaintiff.

## SUIT FOR ALIMONY.

Ella J. Maser has brought action against Henry E. Maser for alimony. Plaintiff charges defendant with undue intimacy with a woman besides, alleging habitual drunkenness and gross neglect. The couple were married in 1837 in Canton and have six children. Plaintiff claims that certain Cantons owe defendant certain sums of money which she desires shall be held from Maser. These are covered by a restraining order, together with an injunction against defendant disposing of certain livery stock which he owns or interfering with the children as it is alleged he has threatened to do. Miller & Pomerene represent plaintiff.

## PROBATE COURT.

Assignment of A. Bonnot Manufacturing Co., Louisville; inventory and appraisal filed, petition for sale of real estate and personal property filed, private sale ordered.

Assignment of Frank A. Menches, Canton; petition to sell real estate filed. Same with reference to Charles E. Menches.

Estate of Jacob Zinsmaster, Bethleh township; final account filed.

Guardianship of Mahlon Snyder, Osnaburg township; Henry W. Hossler appointed guardian.

Guardianship of Laura O. Zaiser et al. Jackson township; petition for sale of ward's lands filed, hearing August 8.

Guardianship of Norman Gueslin, Plain township; second partial account filed.

Guardianship of Austin C. Young, Lawrence township; petition for authority to lease ward's lands to Drake Coal Co. filed.

## ASSAULT CHARGED.

Charles Hasler was arrested by Constable Henry Tuesday night charged by John Marker with assault and battery. He gave \$100 bond for his appearance this afternoon, pleading not guilty last evening.

## PERMITS TO MARRY.

William Ackelson and Emma Thompson, Canton.

## ARMISTICE.

### The President Will Ask Certain Assurances

### THAT SPAIN REALLY MEANS BUSINESS

And Is Not Merely Playing For Time Hoping That Events Will Throw Something in Her Favor—The Porto Rican Campaign Is Going Right Along and Troops Are Being Landed at Points Decided Upon Without Any Opposition.

Washington, July 27.—(Special.)—While no cabinet meeting has been held to consider Spain's proposal that peace negotiations be opened, the President has advised with all the members of his cabinet and congressional leaders generally. Meanwhile there is no cessation in the prosecution of the campaign against Porto Rico. The President has decided to let the war go right ahead till Spain shows that she means business and is not merely trying to get an armistice in the hope that events will drift her way in the peace talk. She was so successful in diplomacy before the war that she desires the conflict to be carried on in that field hereafter. The President will give an answer to Spain tomorrow, through the French ambassador, in which he will set forth that if Spain makes certain assurances of being in earnest to will consider an armistice if peace terms are being discussed.

## GOING AHEAD.

Washington, July 27.—(Special.)—The army and navy movements on Porto Rico are going on today as though no steps toward peace had been taken by Spain. It is strikingly significant that no cabinet meeting has been called to consider the proposition made yesterday. It is believed none will be called before the regular meeting Friday.

Brigadier General Snyder was notified

by General Corbin to hold himself in readiness to accompany the next expedition to Porto Rico. Snyder is now at Tampa.

## TROOPS LANDED.

Washington, July 27.—(Special.)—Captain Higginson of the battleship Massachusetts wires from St. Thomas yesterday that he had that day arrived, and the troops had landed safely. There were no batteries outside, and the Gloucester entered the harbor Guianes, under command of Walnwright. The transports were discharged without opposition, assisted by the boats of the Massachusetts.

Secretary Alger this morning expressed his opinion that more troops will be sent to Guianes bay instead of other points, owing to Miles' change of plan. Evans' brigade, now enroute, will pretty surely, however, go to Pinaro.

## NO MONEY TO DO BUSINESS.

Washington, July 27.—(Special.)—Shafter wires that there is no money at Santiago on which to do business. The merchants are timid in purchasing, fearing the effect of Red Cross supplies, which are really feeding the town. Meat sells at seventy cents a pound and only a few buy. The first week of occupation the people were starving to death, and a few are now suffering from the effects of starvation, though all are being fed.

## BOY KING STRICKEN.

### Just When His Country Needs a Ruler That Can Rule He Contracts a Childish Disease, With Many Red Spots.

London, July 27.—(Special Cable.)—The trials and tribulations of the little king of Spain are growing. His ships have about all been swept from the seas, the flower of his army in the Antilles has been in gloriously surrendered, the Yankees are swooping down on the remaining portion, the Carlists and the Republicans are taking shots at his scalp, and his mother has troubles that are not all printed, but to cap the climax the young 'Phonso himself, just when his country's honor is about satisfied, develops a case of measles. He is real sick and the red

blotches have broken out all over him. If it were appendicitis or some other fashionable disease 'Phonso wouldn't care, but just when Spain needs a ruler with a constitution that does not constantly itch, the measles come on. The news of the illness is suppressed for fear of possible trouble at Madrid. The illness is not necessarily severe, but the physicians are worried because the king is naturally delicate. If President McKinley would send 'Phonso a salve that would stop that ternal itch he could get peace at most any old price.

## GOOD FEEDERS.

Spaniards Are Eating at Santiago at the Rate of \$5,000 in Good Grub, Per Diem.

Santiago, July 27.—(Special Cable.)—It costs about \$5,000 a day to feed the Spanish prisoners, and about the same to feed the Cubans. The work of the Red Cross is now thoroughly systematized. The society has distributed soup to 26,000 for three days.

## PRINCE BISMARCK

Takes a Sudden Turn For the Worse and It Is Feared He Will Not Rally.

London, July 27.—(Special Cable.)—A dispatch from Berlin this morning says that the condition of Prince Bismarck has taken such a sudden and serious turn for the worse that Dr. Schweninger and the entire family have been

## WARSHIPS COALING.

Cape Haytien, July 27.—(Special Cable.)—It is expected the American warships now coaling here will resume the voyage to Porto Rico today and be off San Juan probably Friday. The Montgomery, Puritan and Amphitrite are coaling from the collier Callia.

## Those Jolly Elks

Are making arrangements for a grand street fair. See their ad. on page 6.